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Mr. Edwin A. Thompson
Director, Records Declassification Division
National Archives and Records Service
Seventh Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20408

Dear Alan:

This is to advise you that on 17 April 1974 the Director of Central Intelligence approved an amendment to "Guidelines for Declassification of Office of Strategic Services Records," transmitted to the Archivist of the United States by DCI letter of 16 May 1973. Paragraph 1, under the heading Detailed Guidance: Named or Identifiable Individuals (pp. 1-2), is affected by the change. Specifically, the Director of Central Intelligence has determined that the identities of OSS non-agent personnel need no longer be protected beyond 30 years merely on the basis of subsequent service with the Central Intelligence Agency, the Central Intelligence Group, or the Strategic Services Unit.

The document authorizing this change is on file in this office. It is not planned to issue a revised version of the "Guidelines" document. This may be done at some future date, however.

It would be appreciated if you would notify Dr. Rhoads of this action. A copy of this letter is enclosed for Mr. Michael Mitchell.

Sincerely,

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✓cc: Mr. Mitchell

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